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TAGS: CDES (THURSTON, LOIS M.)

SUBJECT: DEATH OF LOIS M. THURSTON

FOR: MR. GEORGE A. TILGHMAN

LONGWOOD CROSSING

CEDERHURST

LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK 11516

(TEL: 516-569-3589)

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT I MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF LOIS M. THURSTON. THE SOUTHERN GENERAL HOSPITAL, GLASGOW, INFORMED THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL AT EDINBURGH TODAY OF HER DEATH FROM MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION.

2. MRS. THURSTON HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY HER PASSPORT E327331 ISSUED AT BOSTON ON FEBRUARY 19., 1974 AND IN WHICH YOU WERE LISTED AS HER NEXT OF KIN.

3. POST MORTEM WILL BE CARRIED OUT AT SOUTHERN GENERAL HOSPITAL, PROBABLY ON AUGUST 31.

4. HOSPITAL AND EXCELSIOR HOTEL, GLASGOW AT PRESENT HAVE PERSONAL EFFECTS UNTIL DISPOSITION ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE.

5. REGRETFULLY, I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES PROMPT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR A BURIAL OR SHIPMENT. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE THE REMAINS RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES. IF SO, PREPARATION AND AIR

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SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO NEW YORK WOULD COST 2100 DOLS. IF

LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED THE COST IS 500 DOLS. THE COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL IS 500 DOLS. ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

6. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

(A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND, AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.

(B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY THROUGH BANK OF AMERICA OR AMERICAN EXPRESS AT EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND PAYABLE TO AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL.

(C) IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE U.S. YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

(D) INDICATE WHETHER OR NOT YOU OR OTHER RELATIVE WILL BE COMING TO SCOTLAND.

7. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY THREE TO FIVE DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

8. LOCAL AUTHORITIES REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH PREPARATION OF THE DEATH CERTIFICATE: MRS. THURSTON'S MARITAL STATUS, NAME AND ADDRESS OF HUSBAND, IF APPLICABLE, PARENTS' NAMES AND OCCUPATIONS.

9. IF NECESSARY YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THIS POST BY PHONING 556-8315 IN EDINBURGH.
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